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Applicant: PATRICK MEENAN

Title: LOCAL PROTOCOL SERVER

Enclosed are the following papers, including those required to receive a filing date under 37 CFR §1.53(b):

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### Enclosures:

- New disclosure information, including:
  - Information disclosure statement, 1 page.
  - PTO-1449, 1 page.
  - References, 2 items.
- Request and Certification Under 35 USC 122(b)(2)(B)(i).
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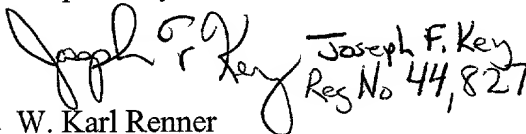
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**REQUEST AND CERTIFICATION  
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35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)**

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Title Local Protocol Server

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I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application **has not and will not be** the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing. I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

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